PROTECTION OF PATENTS IN MOROCCO

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The British Minister at Tangier to the American Minister

TANGIER, February 4th, 1907

Mr. Minister and Dear Colleague:

Referring to the correspondence which has taken place between our two Legations on the subject of the protection of Trade-Marks, I have the honor to suggest to you the utility of extending to patents of inventions the arrangement which is in force with respect to Trade-Marks.

To this end I have the honor to inform you that protection will be accorded by the British consular tribunals in Morocco to American patents of inventions which have been duly registered in Great Britain in conformity with "Patents, Designs and Trade-Marks Acts 1883–1888", on condition that protection, under the same conditions will be assured in Morocco, by the American authorities, to English patents of invention.

Begging you to have the kindness to communicate to me your opinion on this subject, accept the assurances of my high consideration.

GERARD LOWTHER

To His Excellency Mr. S. R. Gummeré, American Minister, etc., etc., etc., Tangier.

¹ Department of State Bulletin, Nov. 26, 1956, p. 844.

The American Minister at Tangier to the British Minister

TANGIER, February 15th 1907

MR. MINISTER AND DEAR COLLEAGUE:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 4th of February 1907, in which, referring to the correspondence which has taken place between our two Legations, on the subject of Trade-Marks, you set forth the utility of extending to patents of inventions the arrangement which is in force with respect to Trade-Marks.

To this end you inform me that protection will be accorded by the British Consular tribunals in Morocco to American patents of invention which have been duly registered in Great Britain in conformity with "Patents, Designs and Trade-Marks Acts 1883–1888", on condition that protection under the same conditions will be assured in Morocco by the American authorities to English patents of invention.

I have the honor to inform Y. E. that I have submitted to my Government your proposition regarding the extension to patents of invention the arrangement which is in force with respect to Trade-Marks and will at once inform you of their decision on the subject.

With apologies for delay in sending my response, occasioned by my illness, accept Mr. Minister and dear Colleague the assurances of my high consideration.

S. R. Gummeré

To His Excellency Mr. GERARD LOWTHER, British Minister, etc., etc., Tangier.

The American Minister at Tangier to the British Minister

Tangier, April 29th 1907

Mr. Minister and dear Colleague:

Referring to our correspondence on the subject of the utility of extending to patents of invention the arrangement in force in Morocco between our two Governments regarding trade-marks, I have the honor to inform you that I have received instructions from my Government to the effect that protection by the Consular Courts of the United States in Morocco will be accorded to British Patents of Invention, duly registered in the United States, on condition that protection under the same conditions shall be assured in Morocco by the British Authorities to American patents of invention.

Accept Mr. Minister and dear Colleague the assurance of my high consideration,

S. R. Gummeré

His Excellency Mr. GERARD LOWTHER, H. B. M. Minister, etc., etc., etc., Tangier.

The British Minister at Tangier to the American Minister

TANGIER, June 20th 1907

Mr. Minister and dear Colleague:

In reply to your letter of April 29th, I have the honor to inform you that I am authorized by my Government to declare to you that protection will be accorded by the British Consular Tribunals in Morocco to the Patents of Inventions of the United States of America, which have been duly registered in England in conformity with the "Patents, Designs and Trade-Marks, Acts 1883 to 1902", and that I am prepared to give instructions to that effect to the British Consular Officers, to the end that the accord shall enter into force immediately. May I hope that Your Excellency will give similar instructions to the Consular officials of the United States of America.

I take this occasion, Mr. Minister and dear Colleague to renew the assurances of my very high consideration.

GERARD LOWTHER

His Excellency Mr. S. R. Gummeré,
Minister of the United States of America,
etc., etc.,
Tangier.

The American Minister at Tangier to the British Minister

TANGIER, June 24th 1907

MR. MINISTER AND DEAR COLLEAGUE:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 20th of June informing me that you are authorized by your Government to declare that protection will be accorded by the British Consular Tribunals in Morocco to Patents of Invention of the United States of America, which have been duly registered in England, in conformity with the "Patents, Designs and Trade-Marks, Acts 1883 to 1902", and that you are ready to give instructions to that effect to the British Consular Officials to the end that the accord shall be put in force at once.

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I have the honor to inform Your Excellency that I am also authorized by my Government to declare to you that protection will be accorded by the American Consular Tribunals in Morocco to [British] Patents of Invention duly registered in the United States and that I will give instructions to that effect to the American Consular Officials to the end that the accord shall be entered into at once.

Pray accept, Mr. Minister and dear Colleague, the assurance of my high consideration.

S. R. Gummeré

His Excellency Mr. GERARD LOWTHER, H. B. M. Minister, etc., etc., etc., Tangier.